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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Cody J. Laufer, DOB: 7/25/85, of 224 East Spring Street, McGregor, Iowa, was sentenced to 12 months in prison, ordered to serve a one-year period of supervision upon being released from prison, and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$7,872. Laufer had previously been charged and convicted of being involved in scheme to manufacture and pass counterfeit securities.

Laufer and others manufactured counterfeit business checks on a home computer and passed them at various businesses and financial institutions in Wisconsin and Iowa.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Crawford County Sheriff's Department. Prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Grant C. Johnson.

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